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INFILTRATION AND ENCOUNTER BETWEEN ARMED FORCES AND MILITANTS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether infiltration being made at the borders has come to the notice of the armed forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent of increase in the number of encounters between the Armed Forces and militants recorded during the last two months;

(d) the number of soldiers/army officers killed therein;

(e) whether penetration of terrorist organizations into the Armed Forces has also been reported; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to check the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Intelligence inputs suggesting concentration and likely infiltration plans of terrorists from across the line of control are received on regular basis which are disseminated to concerned agencies in actionable time frame.

(c) 76 terrorists have been killed in action (including 22 in six infiltration bids) during July-August (upto 24th), 2007 against 105 terrorists killed in action (including 30 in ten infiltration bids) during the corresponding period of 2006.

(d) The details of total fatal casualty suffered by Indian Army in Counter Insurgency Operations due to terrorist action during the months of June and July, 2007 are as follows:

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Month Officers JCOs OR
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(e) & (f): No case of penetration of terrorists into the Army, Air Force and Navy has come to light. However, some cases where service personnel have assisted terrorists by way of logistic support under pressure, fearing security of their families have come to our notice. Detailed investigations have been carried out and suitable disciplinary action have been initiated against those found guilty. Comprehensive preventive measures are enforced and regular security review is carried out from time to time with a view to sensitize the environment for making the security apparatus foolproof. In addition the existing Counter Intelligence set up in the Armed Forces is synergized on a regular basis to meet new challenges.